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## Public may encounter logging traffic as pine beetle work continues in Grand and Jackson counties

KREMMLING — The public will encounter logging truck traffic on some Bureau of Land Management-administered lands in Grand and Jackson counties this fall and winter as logging operations continue in lodgepole pine forests impacted by the mountain pine beetle.

Maps of on-going projects are posted at www.blm.gov/co/kfo.

Loggers will be clearing beetle-killed lodgepole pine in Grand County near Morgan Creek and Mule Creek off of Grand County Road 3; Cow Creek near Grand County Road 34; Spruce Creek near Spring Creek Road County Road10, and BLM Roads 2767 and 2770; Black Mountain near CR 2 BLM Road 2757; Grouse Mountain near County Road 21; and Corral Creek Road BLM 2758.

The public may also encounter truck traffic from more remote locations in Grand County at Gore Lakes (Gorewood) near County Road 14; near Granby at Reed Creek and BLM Road 2753; the Fraser River County Road 89 near Granby Ranch Ski Area, and Walden Hollow near county roads 60, 61 and 627.

Operations will begin this fall and continue through the winter on BLM-administered lands in the Owl Mountain Area northeast of Rand, Colo. Loggers will access this project from Jackson County Road 27. BLM Roads 2506 and 2506-a1 are planned to be plowed this winter to accommodate the logging operations.

Logging operations that have been ongoing over the last several years northwest of Walden on Independence Mountain are continuing. Logging truck traffic will be encountered this fall and winter on both BLM Independence Mountain Road 2504 and BLM West Loop Road 2503.

"These logging projects are important for public safety and for restoring the forests impacted by the mountain pine beetle," said Kremmling Field Manager Stephanie Odell. "Work in these areas will continue for several years."